

I LOVED HINAMIZAWA.


Higurashi no **Naku** Koro ni **Rei**
Hoshiwatashi-hen

I LOVED THE LAND, THE PEOPLE,
AND MY FRIENDS IN HINAMIZAWA.



...I WAS GLAD TO HEAR
THAT YOU LOVED HINAMIZAWA.





...LOVE
YOU.



AND PER-
HAPS
I RE-
ALLY
DID...

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Hoshiwatashi-hen

再び惨劇の
幕が上がる!!
令和の雛見沢に、

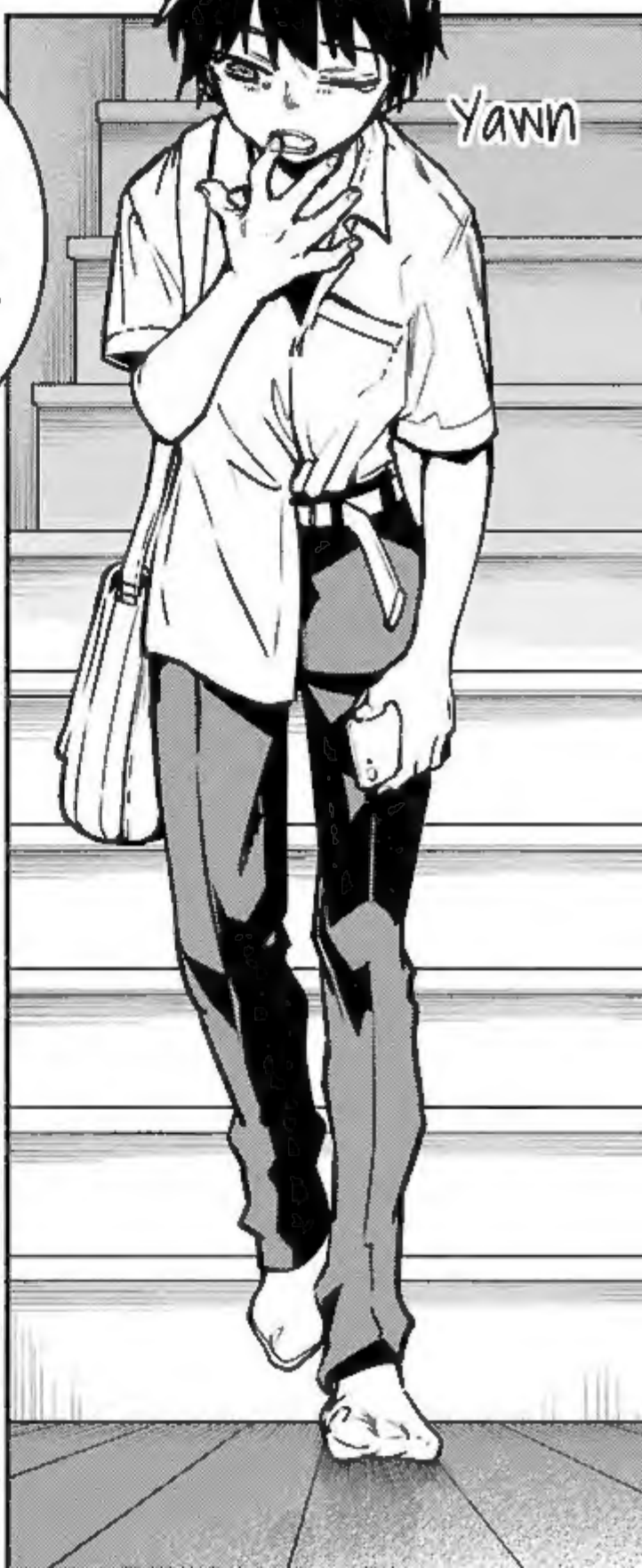
CHAPTER 1

The curtain rises
on another
tragedy in
Hinamizawa,
in the Reiwa era!!

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relation to
any
real people,
organizations,
or events.







LIVE BROADCAST HIDA TOWN

DAD'S
ON TV!



IF NOT FOR
THESE
STRANGE
TROUBLES,
THE WHOLE
FAMILY
WOULD BE
ENJOYING
OUR NEW LIFE
TOGETHER
IN HINAMIZAWA.

SEEMS
LIKE
HE'S
HAVING
A
TOUGH
TIME.



IF YOU
DON'T GET
READY
QUICKLY,
RYUUGU-
SAN WILL
BE HERE
TO GET
YOU

COME
ON,
HURRY
UP AND
EAT YOUR
BREAK-
FAST.

OKAAY!



IT'LL BE ALL
RIGHT, YOUR
FATHER IS
ESPECIALLY
GOOD AT
HANDLING
SITUATIONS
LIKE THESE.

BUT I
REALLY
HOPE
DAD ISN'T
BEING HIT
WITH FALSE
ACCUSATIONS
AS THE
SECRETARY
AND SET
UP AS THE
FALL GUY.

I
DON'T
REALLY
GET
IT.

JUNE 2019,
FIRST YEAR
OF THE
REIWA ERA,
HINAMIZAWA
VILLAGE.



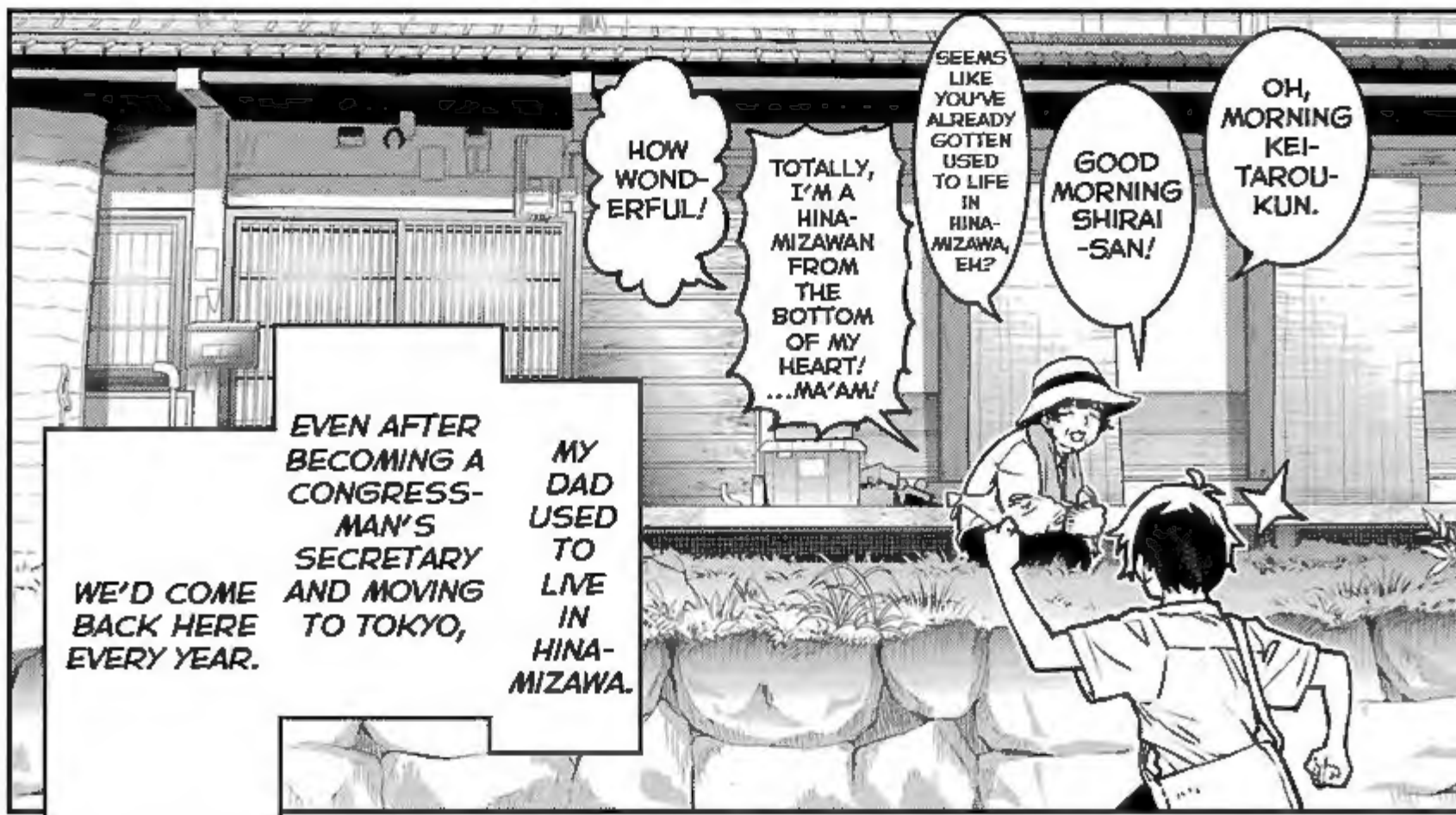
I'M
HEADING
OUT!





IT'S
BEEN
THREE
WEEKS
SINCE I
MOVED
FROM
TOKYO TO
HINAMIZAWA.

I'M
KEI-
TAROU
MAE-
BARA.



HOW
WOND-
ERFUL!

TOTALLY,
I'M A
HINA-
MIZAWAN
FROM
THE
BOTTOM
OF MY
HEART!
...MA'AM!

SEEMS
LIKE
YOU'VE
ALREADY
GOTTEN
USED
TO LIFE
IN
HINA-
MIZAWA,
EH?

GOOD
MORNING
SHIRAI
-SAN!

OH,
MORNING
KEI-
TAROU-
KUN.

WE'D COME
BACK HERE
EVERY YEAR.

EVEN AFTER
BECOMING A
CONGRESS-
MAN'S
SECRETARY
AND MOVING
TO TOKYO,

MY
DAD
USED
TO
LIVE
IN
HINA-
MIZAWA.



SO IT'S
LIKE A
SECOND
HOME-
TOWN
FOR ME.



PLUS, THERE
ARE TALKS
OF GETTING
HINAMIZAWA
CLASSIFIED
AS A WORLD
HERITAGE SITE,
SO THE PLACE
HAS BEEN VERY
LIVELY RECENTLY.

HINAMIZAWA WAS
ALWAYS A
TRADITIONAL
THATCHED
ROOF VILLAGE,
BUT NOWADAYS
IT'S MAKING
STEADY
PROGRESS IN
BECOMING
A TOURIST
DESTINATION.



I LOVE
HINAMIZAWA.



I
HAPPENED
TO SEE YOU
COMING,
KIHIRO.

SO I
THOUGHT
I'D GIVE
YOU A COOL
MORNING
GREETING
FROM
BEHIND.

S
H
A
K
E
!

C-CUT IT
OUT
KAYTARO...!
I-IT FELT
LIKE
YOU WERE
GOING TO
GIVE ME A
HEART
ATTACK...

S
H
A
K
E
!

sigh

THAT'S
A LIE.

AND YET,
I DID
IT
ALL TO
SEE
THAT
LOOK
ON YOUR
FACE,
KIHIRO!

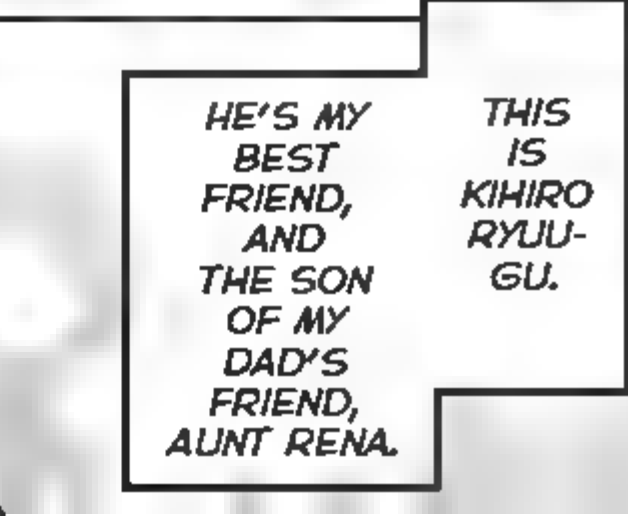
I WAS
BITTEN BY
BUGS,
IT WAS
TIRING, AND
IT WAS
REALLY
BORING.
ACTUALLY,
IT WAS
AWFUL!

TRUTH IS,
I'VE BEEN
HIDING HERE
SINCE LAST
NIGHT
BECAUSE I
DESPERATELY
WANTED
TO SEE
THAT LOOK
OF SHOCK
ON YOUR
FACE!

HEH
HEH HEH.
THAT'S
RIGHT,
YOU GOT
ME!

YOU
WERE
HIDING
IN THOSE
BUSHES,
JUST
WAITING
TO SUR-
PRISE
ME!

THIS
IS
YOU
WE'RE
TALK-
ING
ABOUT.



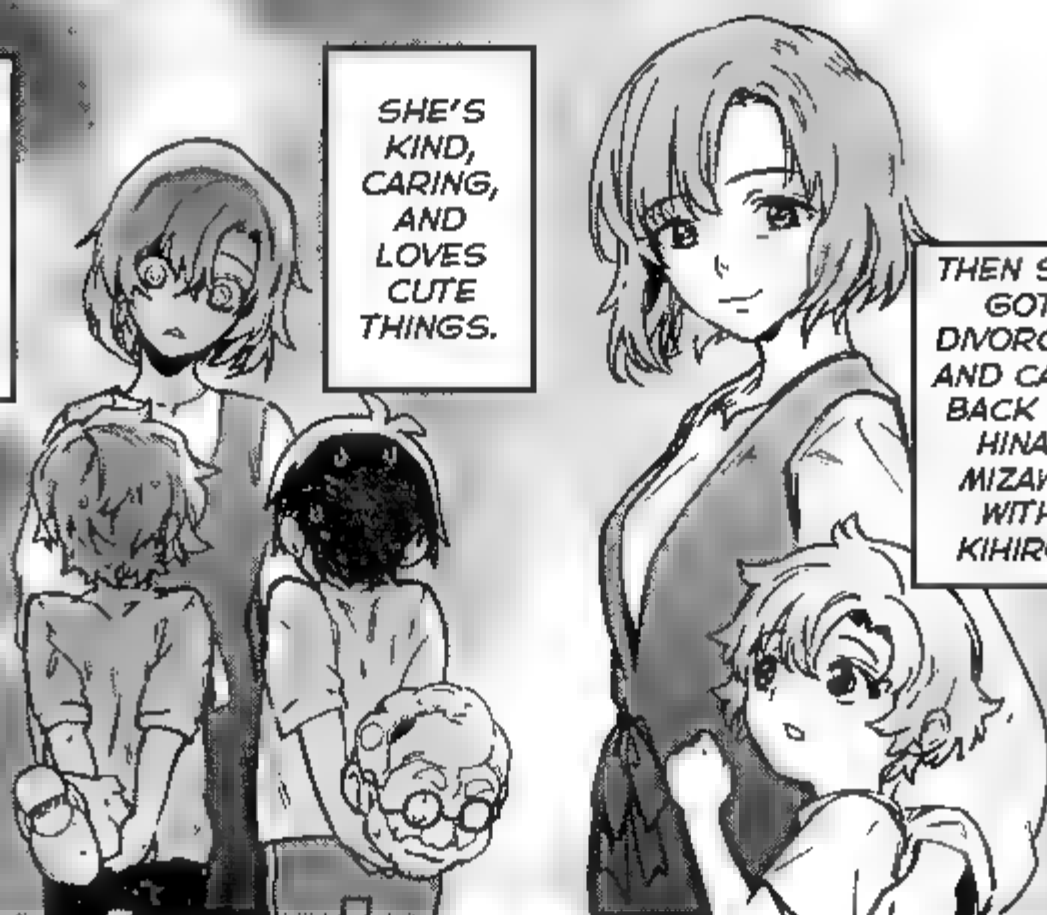
BUT SHE HAS SUPER SHARP INTUITION, SO IF YOU LIE TO HER SHE'LL NOTICE IMMEDIATELY.

SHE'S KIND, CARING, AND LOVES CUTE THINGS.

AUNT RENA GOT MARRIED AND LEFT HINA-MIZAWA FOR A WHILE.

THEN SHE GOT DIVORCED AND CAME BACK TO HINA-MIZAWA WITH KIHIRO.

HER SON KIHIRO HAS GOOD INTUITION TOO, BUT IT TAKES HIM A LONG TIME BEFORE HE CAN DETERMINE IF SOMETHING IS A LIE.



HUH?!

...YOU LIAR!

MY DAD CAUGHT THEM WHILE SKIN DIVING IN TOKYO BAY!

BY THE WAY, WE HAD SALMON FOR BREAK-FAST TODAY

HIS REACTIONS TO TEASING ARE WAY TOO FUN, SO I CAN'T HELP BUT PLAY PRANKS ON HIM.



HMM... I DON'T KNOW FOR SURE, BUT...

BUT I STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND THE THIRD BAG.

OKAY? I KNOW ABOUT THE STOMACH AND THE WALLET,



HMM... YOU
HAVE TO
DO IT LIKE
THIS, AND
FROM THIS
ANGLE?
I DUNNO
THOUGH...

BE-
CAUSE
THIS IS
REALLY
IMPOR-
TANT
TO ME!

C-
COULD
YOU
BE
A
LITTLE
MORE
SPE-
CIFIC?

I BET IT'S
LIKE THIS...
YOU GRAB
LIKE, SO,
THEN SQUEEZE,
AND BAM,
TAKE THEM
OUT IN
ONE BLOW?



SAKI-
KO!

MOR-
NING!

GOOOO-
OODDD
MOOOR-
RRNIING!

TAWAKI!





OH, GOOD
TIDINGS
TO YOU,
EVERYONE!

KEI-
TAROU!



BUT
I'M
NOT A
BOY SO I
COULDN'T
KNOW
FOR
SURE.

YEAH,
THAT'S
PROB-
ABLY
THE
RIGHT
ANGLE.

AAAAAH!



THE HEART?
IF YOU
MEAN THE
ORGAN,
IT SEEMS
PRETTY
CRUSHED.

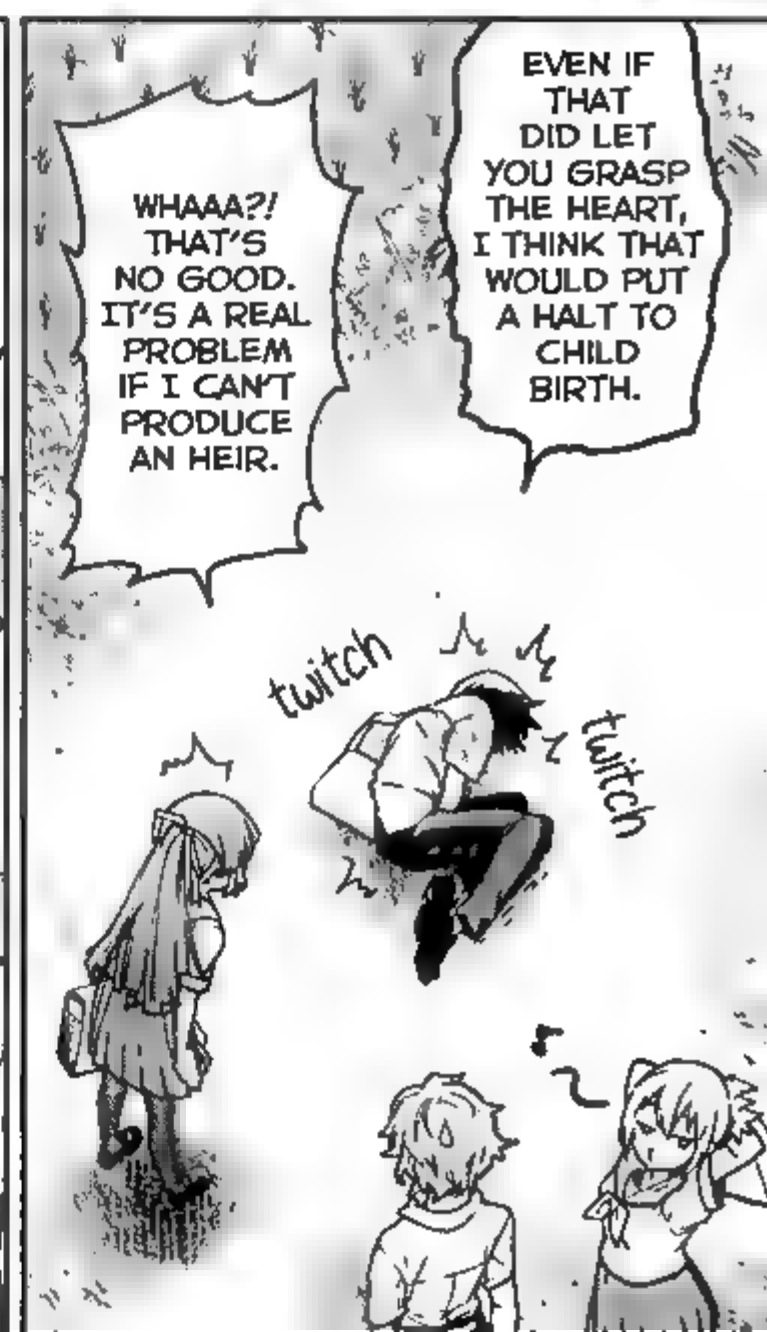
HOW ARE YOU
HOLDING UP,
KEITAROU?
DOES IT
FEEL LIKE
YOU'VE BEEN
GRABBED BY
THE HEART?

AAAAA



H
W
O
A
A
H
!

COULD
YOU BE MY
GUINEA PIG
FOR A SEC?





ASSESS-
MENT!



I-I
WOULDN'T
TELL
A LIE,
WOULD
I?

...EVAL-
UATING,
EVAL-
UATING...



THIS IS
SAKI-
KO KIMI-
YOSHI.

SHE, TOO,
IS THE
DAUGHTER
OF ONE
OF MY
DAD'S
FRIENDS,
AUNT
SATOKO.

THAT'S
A
LIE!!!!



SHE'S THE
SOLE
DAUGHTER
OF THE
KIMIYOSHI
FAMILY,
ONE OF
THE THREE
FAMILIES
WITH GREAT
INFLUENCE
HERE IN
HINAMIZAWA.

WE'RE ALL
IN THE
SECOND
YEAR
OF MIDDLE
SCHOOL,
EXCEPT FOR
SAKIKO
WHO'S
IN HER
THIRD YEAR.
YOU'D NEVER
GUESS
SHE'S
OLDER!

SAKIKO,
YOUR
UNDER-
WEAR IS
SHOWING!

ABOUT RENA
RYUGU'S
DEADLY
SUPER-
SONIC
PUNCHES! SO
EVEN THOSE
WERE PASSED
DOWN TO
THE NEW
GENE-
RATION...!

TCH...
I'VE
HEARD
STORIES
FROM
MY
MOM...

WHILE SHE'S AT WORK, SHE'S AN ADORABLE GIRL WHO SPEAKS LIKE A PROPER LADY.

SAKIKO HELPS OUT AT THE SHOP TOO.

Please
come on
in!

AUNT SATOKO MARRIED INTO THE KIMIYOSHI FAMILY, AND NOW RUNS A SOUVENIR SHOP.

SHE'S SUPER ENERGETIC, HAS A STUPID POLITE WAY OF SPEAKING (DAD CALLS IT SATOKO-ESE), AND SHE'S THE SIGNBOARD GIRL (...GIRL?) THAT ATTRACTS CUSTOMERS TO THE SHOP.

BUT AS SOON AS EYES ARE OFF HER, SHE SHOWS HER TRUE NATURE.

SHE'S AN OUTRAGEOUS GIRL, AND SHE'S ESPECIALLY GOOD AT FLATTERING ADULTS, MAKING FLIRTY EYES AT THE BOYS, AND CAJOLING PEOPLE.



IT'S ALL RIGHT, TAMAKI. YOU'RE REALLY POPULAR WITH THE BOYS, SO YOU DON'T NEED TO BE IN A HURRY.

GUESS THERE'S REALLY NO SHORTCUT TO GRASPING A MAN'S HEART.

SORRY, KEI-TAROU.

WHA!
YOU
TRICKED
ME?



THIS
GIRL IS
TAMAKI
SONO-
ZAKI.

O...
OKAY!

SHE'S THE
SOLE
DAUGHTER
OF THE
SONO-
ZAKI
FAMILY,
ANOTHER
ONE OF
THE THREE
FAMILIES
OF HINA-
MIZAWA.

AND OF
COURSE,
SHE'S
THE
DAUG-
HTER
OF MY
DAD'S
FRIEND,
AUNT
MION.

BUT NEVER
USE THAT
TECHNIQUE
AGAIN.
WITH YOUR
GRIP
STRENGTH,
DOING THAT
WILL MEAN THE
END OF THE
SONOZAKI
FAMILY.



AUNT
MION
IS NEXT
IN LINE
TO BE
THE
FAMILY
HEAD.

THE
SONO-
ZAKI
FAMILY
IS RUN
BY AUNT
MION'S
MOTHER.

AND
EVENTUALLY,
TAMAKI WILL
BECOME
THE FAMILY
HEAD,
OR SO
THEY'VE
DECIDED.

IN OTHER
WORDS,
TAMAKI'S
GRAND-
MOTHER,
AKANE
-SAN.



SHE'S A
POWERFUL
GIRL, ALWAYS
FULL OF
WAYS TO WIN
OVER A
FUTURE
HUSBAND.

I CAN'T LET
THE SONO-
ZAKI
FAMILY END
WITH MY
GENE-
RATION!

THAT'S
PROBABLY
WHY TAMAKI
HAS BEEN
SAYING SHE
WANTS TO GET
MARRIED
AND HAVE
LOTS OF
KIDS, EVER
SINCE SHE
WAS LITTLE.



THIS,
COMING
FROM
SOMEONE
WHO LIVED
IN TOKYO
JUST
THREE
WEEKS
AGO?

AND I'LL
GIVE THE
SAME
ANSWER A
SECOND
TIME!
I'M A HINA-
MIZAWAN
FROM
THE
BOTTOM
OF MY
HEART!

WHOA!
THAT'S
THE
SECOND
TIME
SOME-
ONE
TOLD
ME
THAT!

SEEMS
LIKE
YOU'VE
ALREADY
GOTTEN
USED
TO LIFE
HERE,
HUH?

HEY,
KAY-
TARO.



WELL...
THERE
WAS A
LOT OF
FAMILY
STUFF
GOING
ON.

DON'T
YOU
MISS
TOKYO?

PLUS, YOU
HAVEN'T
SHOWN
YOUR FACE
HERE
FOR THE
PAST
5 YEARS.



...I'VE
ALWAYS,
ALWAYS
WANTED
TO LIVE
HERE.

...EVER
SINCE
I WAS
LITTLE...

BUT I
CAN
SAY...



SPEND-
ING MY
TIME
WITH YOU
GUYS, LIKE
YOU WERE
MY
FAMILY...

EVEN
THOUGH
I LIVED IN
TOKYO, I'D
SPEND TIME
IN HINA-
MIZAWA
EVERY
YEAR.

IT FEELS
LIKE I'VE
FINALLY
COME HOME
TO THE
PLACE
WHERE I'M
MEANT
TO BE.

JUST
MOVING
HERE HAS
BROUGHT
ME JOY
EVERY
SINGLE
DAY.



BUT I THINK
IT'S FUN TO
GET USED
TO THESE
THINGS,
LITTLE BY
LITTLE.

OF
COURSE,
THAT
DOESN'T
MEAN EVERY-
THING IS
JUST AS
I ENVISION-
ED IT
WOULD
BE.



...TO
BE IN
HINA-
MIZAWA
NOW.

...I'M
HAPPY...

SO
WHAT
I MEAN
IS...



YEAH!
FROM
THIS YEAR
ON WE'LL
ALWAYS
BE
TOGETHER!



IT FEELS
LIKE WE
FINALLY
HAVE THE
WHOLE
GROUP
TOGETHER.

WELL,
SIMPLY
PUT, I'M
GLAD
YOU'RE
HERE
KEI-
TAROU.

HA-
HA-
HA.

BUT
AREN'T
YOU
ACTING
KINDA
UNCOOL?
YOU'RE
TALKING
LIKE AN
OLDER
SISTER.



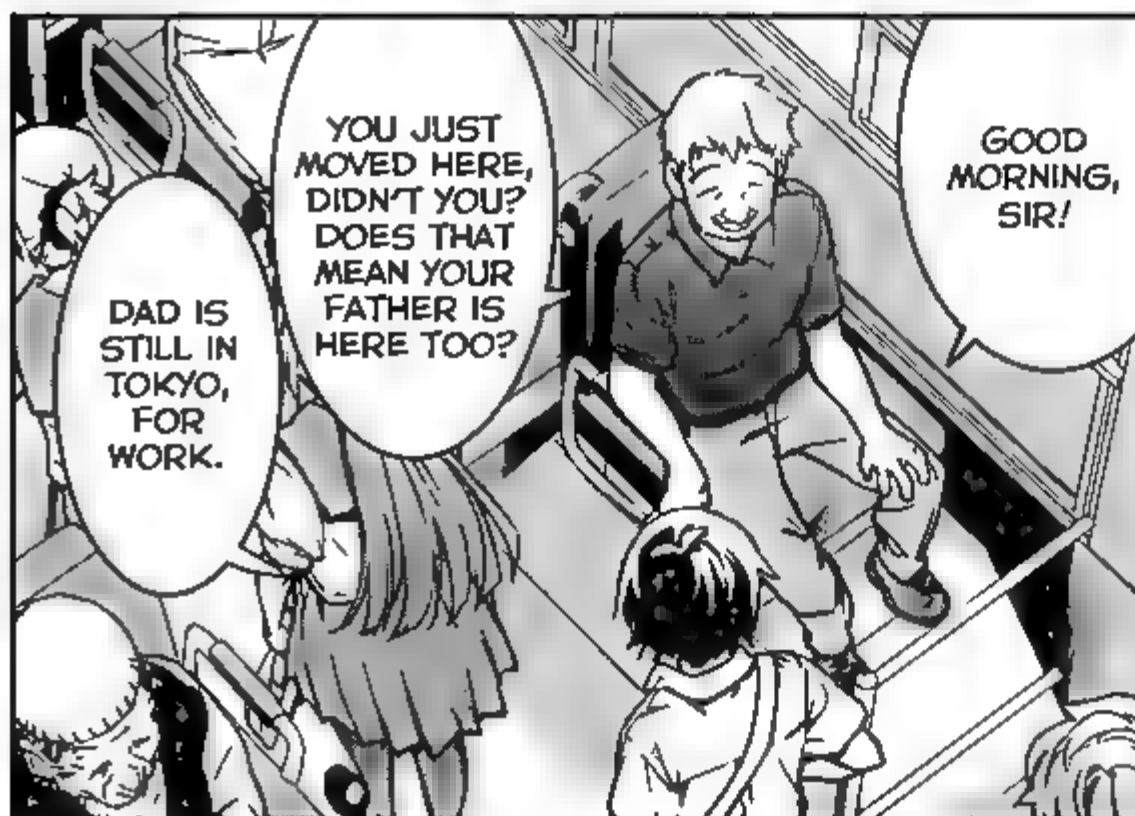
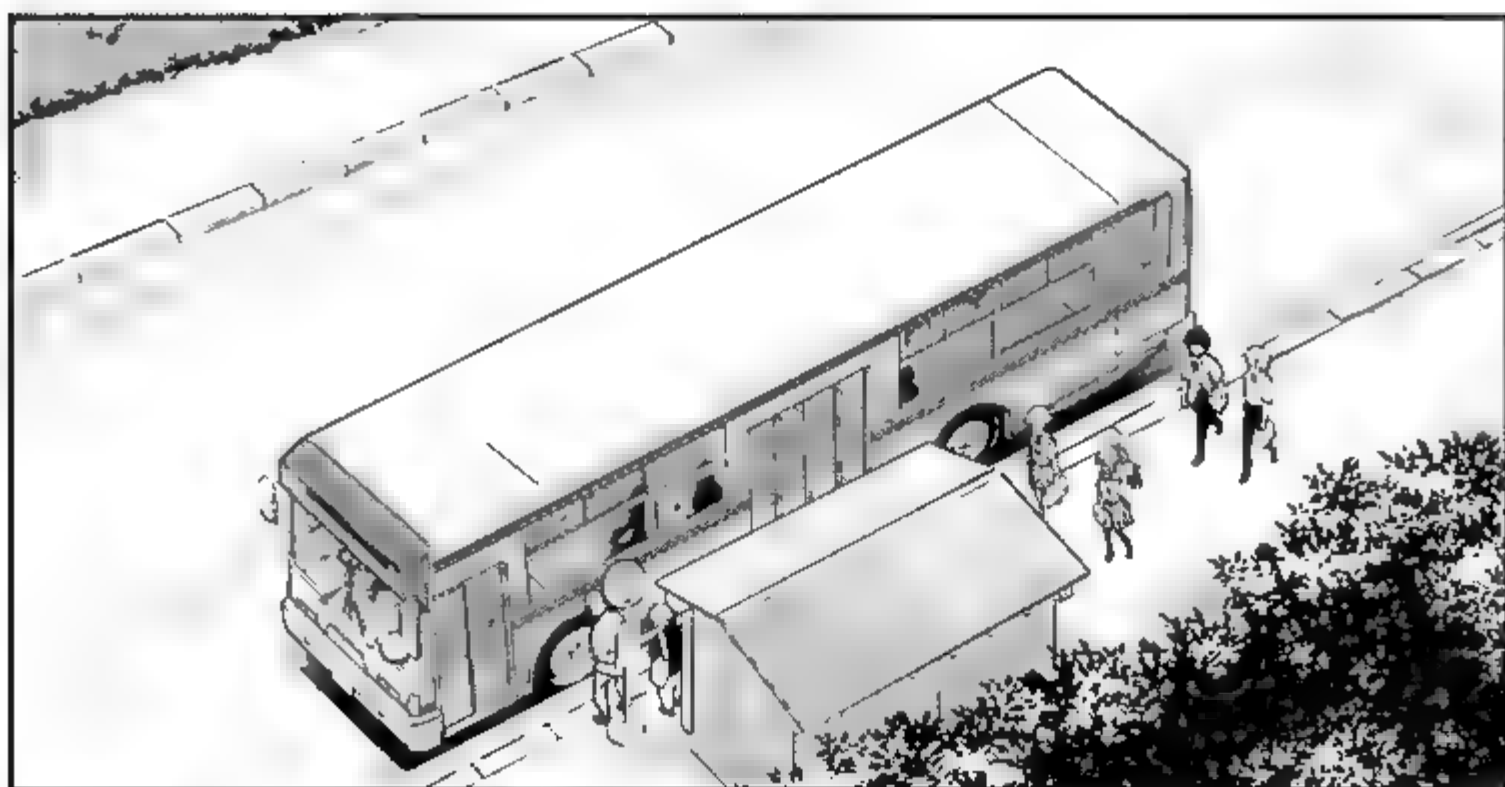
I ALWAYS
DREAMED
OF THE
FOUR
OF US
GOING TO
SCHOOL
TOGETHER
LIKE THIS.

ME
TOO.



WE'RE
GLAD
TO
HAVE
YOU,
KEI-
TAROU!

LET'S
SAY
IT
AGAIN,





IF UNCLE KEIICHI BECOMES A CONGRESSMAN, ALL IT TAKES IS A BRIBE TO GET THAT DONE, RIGHT?

AND MY DAD IS LEADING AN EFFORT TO GET HINAMIZAWA RECOGNIZED AS A WORLD HERITAGE SITE.

DON'T JUST ASSUME MY DAD IS A CORRUPT POLITICIAN!



UNCLE KEIICHI IS SO FAMOUS, THERE'S NOT ONE PERSON IN HINAMIZAWA WHO DOESN'T KNOW HIM.

AS EXPECTED OF THE SON OF THE MAE-BARA FAMILY.

HEHE.

THEY ALL WANT HIM TO BECOME A CONGRESSMAN AND IMPROVE THINGS IN HINAMIZAWA.



SO WE ALL TAKE A BUS TO THE MIDDLE SCHOOL IN THE NEXT TOWN OVER, OKINOMIYA.

HINAMIZAWA HAD A BRANCH SCHOOL BACK WHEN MY DAD LIVED HERE, BUT IT'S CLOSED DOWN NOWADAYS.



MORNIN' KEI-TAROU.

GOOD MORN-ING, MAE-BARA.

MORN-ING!



MORN-ING!



OKAY!

CAN YOU HELP ME GET THIS REFERRAL BONUS IN MONPLAY?

YO, MAE-BARA.



THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME IN FIVE YEARS THAT THE FAMOUS SCREENWRITER SATAKE CONTRIBUTED. WHEREAS OTHER SERIES WERE AIMED AT CHILDREN, SATAKE'S CONCEPT WAS DEDICATED TO FANS WHO GREW UP WATCHING THE SERIES.

RIGHT!

I REALLY ENJOYED THAT THING YOU RECOMMENDED TO ME THE OTHER DAY!

HEY, SUZU-KI-KUN!



RIGHT?

RIGHT?

KAY-TARO ISN'T THE KIND OF GUY TO MAKE FRIENDS FOR UNDER-HANDED REASONS.

NO DOUBT THAT'LL BE A POTENT WEAPON FOR HIM IN THE POLITICAL WORLD.

KEI-TAROU IS REALLY QUICK TO MAKE FRIENDS.

KIMI-YOSHI-SENPAI?!

EVEN THOUGH HE ONLY MOVED HERE 3 WEEKS AGO, HE ALREADY HAS SO MANY FRIENDS...

WA
HA
HA.

FOR-
GIVE
ME,
OKAY?

THOSE
REACTIONS
OF YOURS
ARE SO FUN,
IT MAKES
ME WANT TO
SAY STUFF
WITHOUT
THINKING.

THAT'S A
LIE,
THAT'S A
LIE!

KIHIRO DIDN'T
REALIZE IT AT
THE TIME, BUT THIS
WAS THE FIRST
STEP TOWARDS KEI-
TAROU MAEBARA'S
WORLD DOMINATION,
BEGINNING FROM
A LOCAL MIDDLE
SCHOOL.

YOU
CONSTANTLY
TEASING
ME LIKE
THIS IS
DRIVING
ME
CRAZY.

SERIOUSLY...
CUT
IT OUT
ALREADY.

IN OTHER
WORDS,
IT'S ABOUT
ADDITION
TO YOUR
NUMBER
OF
FRIENDS!

I THINK
SO TOO!
THE MOST
IMPORTANT
THING IS
HARMONY
AMONG
PEOPLE.

"THE
MOST
IMPOR-
TANT
THING IS
HARMONY
AMONG
PEOPLE"

MY
DAD
ONCE
TAUGHT
ME,

THAT'S
ONE OF THE
BEST
THINGS
ABOUT
KEI-
TAROU.

NNN...
YOUR
IDEAS
ARE AS
CHILDISH
AS
ALWAYS.

AND
THE
FIRST
STEP TO
DOING
THAT!

IS TO
MAKE
EVERYONE
IN THIS
CLASS
MY
FRIEND!



I'M KEI-TAROU MAE-BARA! NICE TO MEET YOU!

YOU THERE! WE'VE NEVER MET BEFORE!



HE'S NOT EVEN LISTENING.

I KNOW, I'LL START A CLUB LIKE DAD AND HIS FRIENDS HAD, AND GET EVERYONE TO PARTICIPATE.

EVEN IF SOMEONE GREETED HIM BY SAYING "GO AWAY" HE'D JUST IGNORE IT.

KEITAROU, YOU'LL SERIOUSLY TRY TO MAKE FRIENDS WITH ANYONE, WON'T YOU?

HE SEEMS LIKE A TOUGH PERSON TO BECOME FRIENDS WITH... BUT I'LL MAKE IT HAPPEN!



...I DON'T THINK THAT MEANS YOU NEED TO MAKE FRIENDS WITH EVERY SINGLE PERSON YOU RUN INTO.

YOU CAN NEVER HAVE TOO MANY FRIENDS, BUT...

IT'S FINE! SHOW ME THAT PASSION OF YOURS!

HUUH? WHO, ME...?

YOU'RE THE GUY WHO HAD YOUR EYES FIXATED ON SAKIKO'S NECKLINE FOR A WHILE NOW... RIGHT?

R-RIGHT!

YOU THERE! I HAVEN'T MET YOU BEFORE EITHER!



WON-
DER
IF I
CAN
GET
UP TO
100
FRI-
ENDS?

I MADE
PLENTY
MORE
FRI-
ENDS
TODAY!



SEE
YA,
MAE-
BARA-
KUN!

ALL
RIGHT,
BYE BYE
KEI-
TAROU.

YEAH!
SEE
YOU
TOMOR-
ROW



DID I DO
SOMETHING
WRONG?

BUT SOME
OF THEM
COMPLETELY
IGNORED ME.

STILL,
I TRIED
TALKING
TO
PEOPLE
ONE
AFTER
ANOTHER.



It's
possible!

rattle

NO WAY,
IS SAKIKO
SPREADING
MISINFOR-
MATION
ABOUT
ME?

MAYBE
THERE
ARE
SOME
WEIRD
RUMORS
GOING
AROUND
OR
SOME-
THING?





IS SHE
IN A
LOWER
GRADE...?

IT'S A GIRL...
THAT I'VE
NEVER SEEN
BEFORE?

EEK!

NICE TO
MEET
YOU,
I'M
MAEBARA-

YO!









...NO
WAY!



BANG

THUMP

THUMP

THUMP



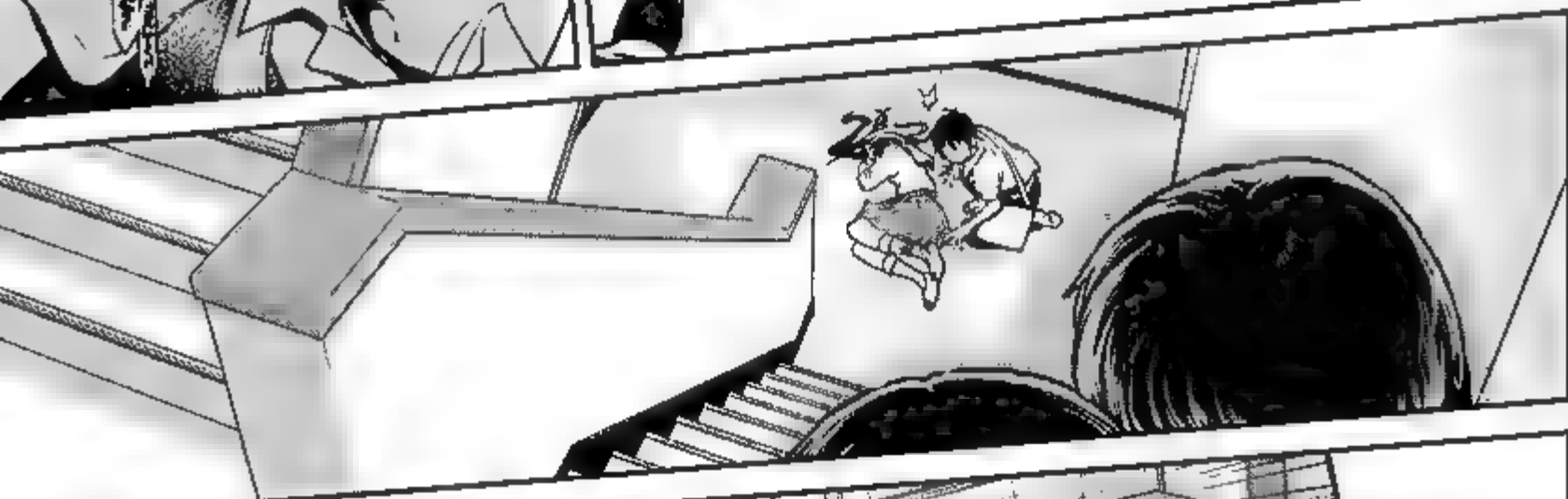
shake

stomp

stomp

HEY!

**ARE
YOU
ALL
RIGHT?**





UUU...

HELLO?
DO
YOU NOT
UNDER-
STAND
THE
SITU-

WHY ARE
YOU JUST
STANDING
THERE
AND NOT
SAYING
ANY-
THING?



jump



Shake

I'M
GONNA
CARRY YOU
TO THE
NURSE'S
OFFICE...

TRY TO
HOLD
STILL!



SO YOU
LOST
YOUR
FOOTING
ON THE
STAIRS?
DID SOME-
THING
HAPPEN?

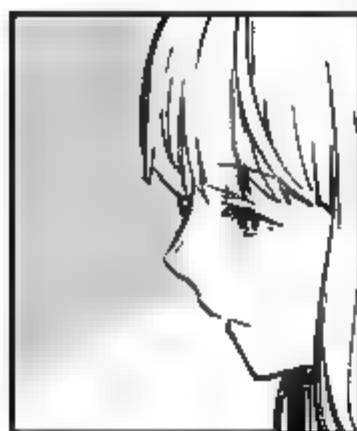


I THINK I
STARTLED
HER BY
CALLING
OUT TO
HER.



YOUR
BONES
ARE
FINE.
IT'S
JUST A
SPRAIN.

YOU'RE
BLEEDING,
BUT
OTHER-
WISE
YOU'RE
NOT
THAT
BADLY
HURT.



CAN YOU
TELL ME
YOUR NAME
AND WHAT
CLASS
YOU'RE
IN?



SORRY, I
NEED TO
BE
EXCUSED
FOR A
MOMENT.



DOCTOR
GATO,
DO YOU
HAVE A
MINUTE?

THEN
JUST
REST
FOR A
WHILE
AND TRY
TO AVOID
PHYSICAL
ACTIVITY,
AND
YOU'LL
BE FINE.



N-
NO...

MAEBARA-
KUN, DID
THIS GIRL
SUFFER ANY
OTHER
INJURIES?
DID SHE
HIT HER
HEAD OR
ANYTHING
LIKE THAT?





I LOVE
PLAYING
AROUND
AND
CHATTING
WITH
PEOPLE!

I'M
KEI-
TAROU
MAE-
BARA!



I KINDA
FEEL LIKE
A BULLY,
OR WORSE,
A DEGEN-
ERATE...!

E-EVEN
THOUGH
I'M
ALWAYS
SAYING
THAT!



AND
THAT'S
ALL
THERE
IS
TO
IT!

WHEN
YOU
NEED
TO MESS
WITH IT,
TRY TO BE
GENTLE,
ALL
RIGHT?

BY THE
WAY,
THE
MUTE
BUTTON
IS
RIGHT
HERE.

AND THE
VOLUME
ADJUST-
MENT
KNOB IS
OVER
HERE!



crickets chirping



...HOW DO
YOU MAKE
FRIENDS
WITH
SOMEONE
WHO GETS
SCARED ANY
TIME YOU TRY
TO TALK
TO HER?

DAD,
WHAT
SHOULD
I DO?
I'VE NEVER
DEALT
WITH
SOMEONE
LIKE
THIS
BEFORE...

LISTEN
KEITAROU!

THE MOST
IMPORTANT
THING
IS "HARMONY
AMONG PEOPLE".

BELIEVE IN YOUR
FRIENDS!
IF YOU CAN DO
THAT, YOU
CAN CARVE
YOUR WAY
THROUGH EVEN
HARSH FATE!

WHY HELLO
THERE,
MAEBARA-
SENPAIIII!

flinch

U
M
M

I...

ANOTHER
GIRL
I DON'T
KNOW...

Y-
YOU'RE
WEL-
COME.

THANK YOU
SO MUCH
FOR
CARRYING
INORI
TO THE
NURSE'S
OFFICE!



IT WAS JUST A SP-RAIN.

YEAH, I'LL BE FINE.

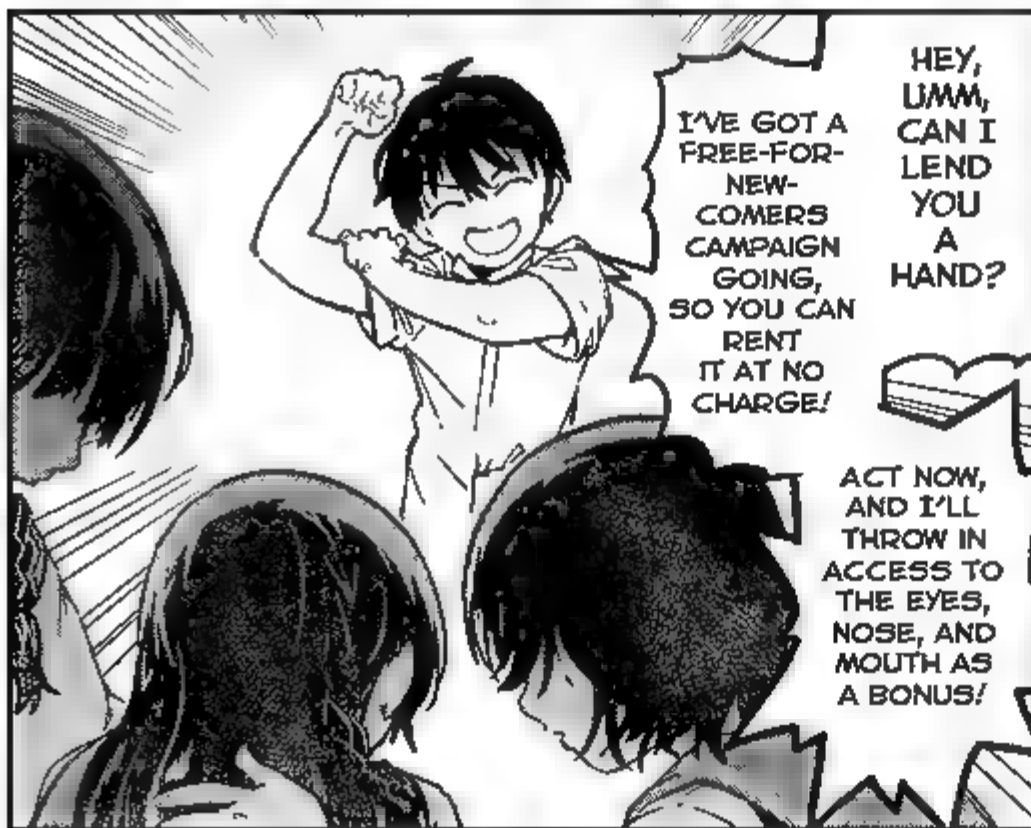
I'M OK-AY.



HEY!

THOSE ARE THE KIDS FROM THE TOP OF THE STAIRS EARLIER!

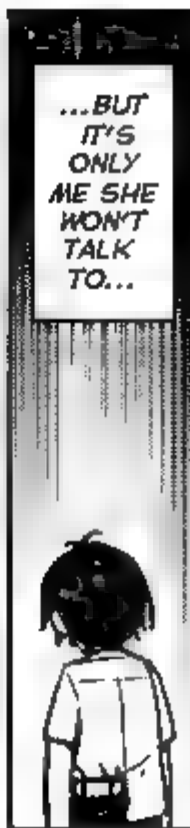
INORI-CHAN



I'VE GOT A FREE-FOR-NEW-COMERS CAMPAIGN GOING, SO YOU CAN RENT IT AT NO CHARGE!

HEY, UMM, CAN I LEND YOU A HAND?

ACT NOW, AND I'LL THROW IN ACCESS TO THE EYES, NOSE, AND MOUTH AS A BONUS!



...BUT IT'S ONLY ME SHE WON'T TALK TO...



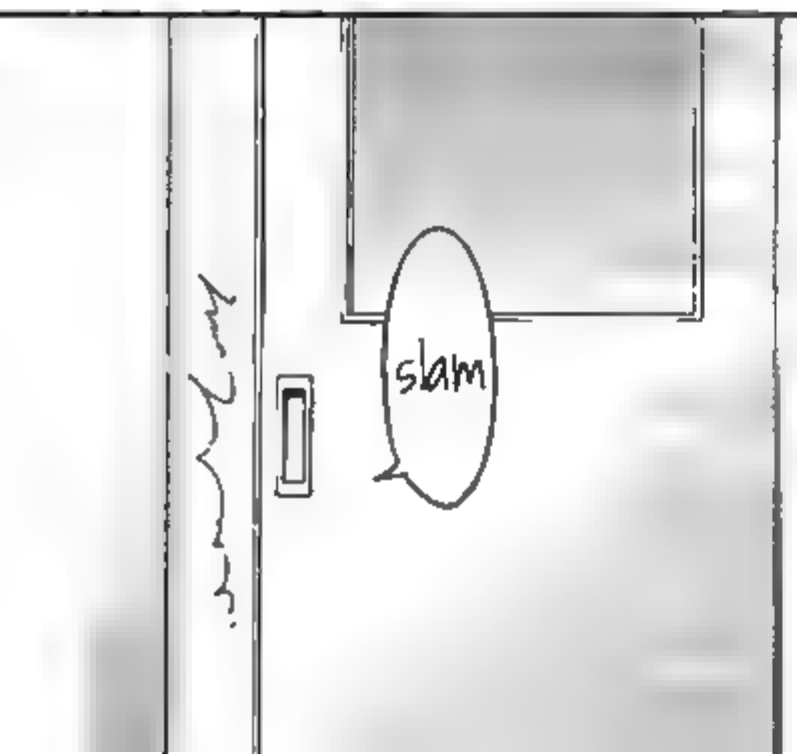
SO SHE'S ABLE TO TALK NORMALLY...

...I THOUGHT SHE WAS JUST A REALLY RESERVED GIRL, AND THAT'S WHY SHE WASN'T SAYING ANYTHING...



ignore







WAS
THAT
AN
APOLOGY?



NO WAY...
EVEN IN
COMICS I
PRETTY
MUCH
NEVER
SEE THAT
SETUP.

DOES HER
FAMILY
HAVE A
RULE
AGAINST
TALKING
WITH
BOYS?

BUT THERE
MUST'VE
BEEN A
REASON
SHE
COULDN'T
SPEAK
UP.

...AND
EVEN
THOUGH
SHE WAS
SCARED
EARLIER,
SHE WAS
ABOUT
TO SAY
SOMETHING.

SHE
DOESN'T
HAVE ANY
REASON
TO HATE
ME...
I DON'T
THINK...



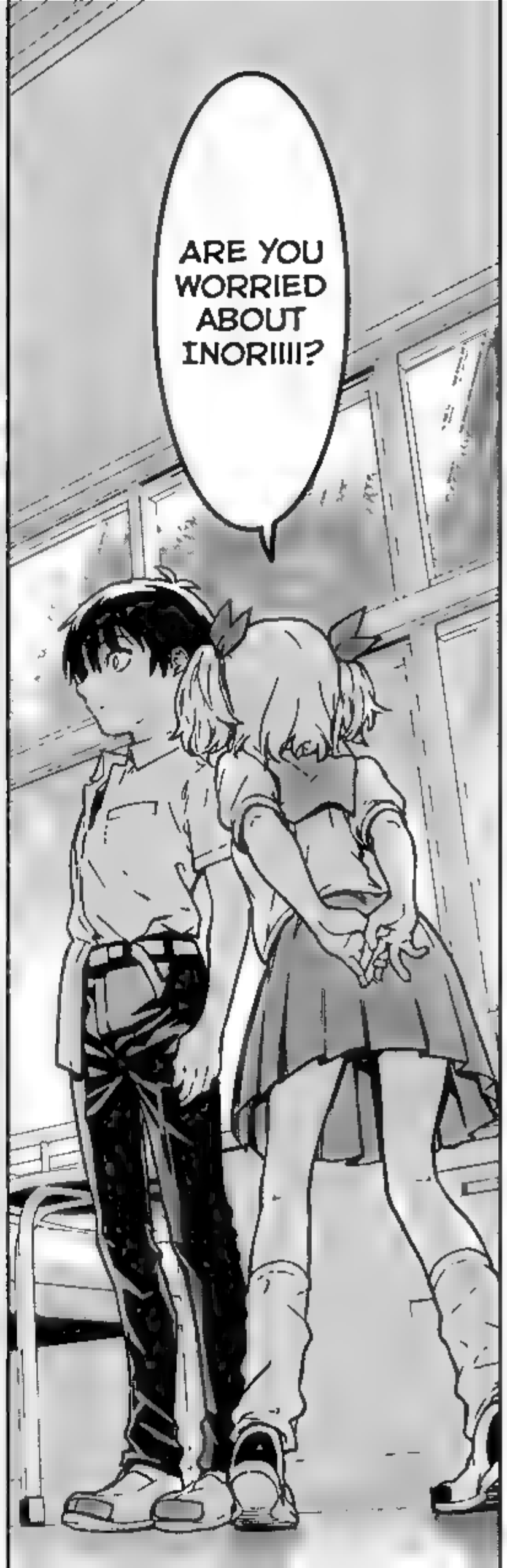
SHE STILL
DID HER
UTMOST TO
COMMUNICATE
IN A WAY
THAT SHE
ACTUALLY
COULD?

BUT EVEN
THOUGH
SHE HAS
SOME
REASON
SHE
COULDN'T
TALK
TO ME.



MAYBE
YOU
LIKE
QUIET
GIRLS
LIKE
HER,
SENPAII??

THAT'S
RIGHT.
BECAUSE
WITH
QUIET
GIRLS
LIKE
HER...



ARE YOU
WORRIED
ABOUT
INORII??



WHO IS THIS GIRL? I CAN'T FIGURE HER OUT!

THEN ARE YOU GOING TO START UP A CONVERSATION WITH EVERY GIRL IN THE WORLD THAT MAKES EYE CONTACT WITH YOUUUUU?

HUUUH-? YOU STARTED TALKING TO HER JUST BECAUSE OF SOME EYE CONTACT?

D-D-DON'T SAY THINGS THAT CAN CAUSE MIS-UNDERSTANDINGS! I MEAN, WE JUST HAPPENED TO MAKE EYE CONTACT, SO-

SENPAI, IS YOUR LIBIDO THAT END-LESS?





SHE'S FULLY AWARE OF HER SEXINESS AND USING IT TO MAKE FUN OF ME!

I MEAN, LOOK AT THIS LOLI BITCH!

plop



THAT COULDN'T BE HELPED! AND NOTHING IS HAPPENING HERE!

OH, WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO KURU-RUUUU?

JUST ME, AND AN ANIMAL LIKE YOU, ALL ALONE IN THE NURSE'S OFFICEEE!



I DON'T THINK I SAW YOU ON THE BUS TO SCHOOL.

HUH? DO YOU LIVE IN HINAMIZAWA?

KURURU GETS DRIVEN TO SCHOOL IN HER PARENTS' CARRRR



THERE'S NOT ONE PERSON IN HINAMIZAWA WHO DOESN'T KNOW THE SON OF VILLAGE CELEBRITY, MR. KEIICHI MAEBARA.

WHY?

AND HEY, WHY DO YOU KNOW MY NAME IN THE FIRST PLACE?



CALLING
YOU THAT
SOUNDS
REALLY
FAMILIAR.

YEAH!
NICE TO
MEET YA,
KURURU!

AS AN
UPPER-
CLASSMAN,
FEEL FREE TO
RELY ON ME
IF YOU EVER
NEED
ANYTHING!



UFUFU, IT
FEELS LIKE
YOU CAN
DITCH THE
POLITE
SPEECH AND
TALK TO ME
CASUALYYY.

AH, IN
FACT
KURURU
IS
TALLER
THAN
YOUUU!

SOME-
HOW,
YOU
DON'T
FEEL
MUCH
LIKE A
SENPAI
THOUGH?



CAN YOUR
MALE PRIDE
HANDLE A
YOUNGER
GIRL TALKING
CASUALLY
WITH YOUU?
UFUFUFU-

AND
SENPAI,
DO YOU
MIND
IF I TALK
CASUALLY
WITH
YOU
TOO?



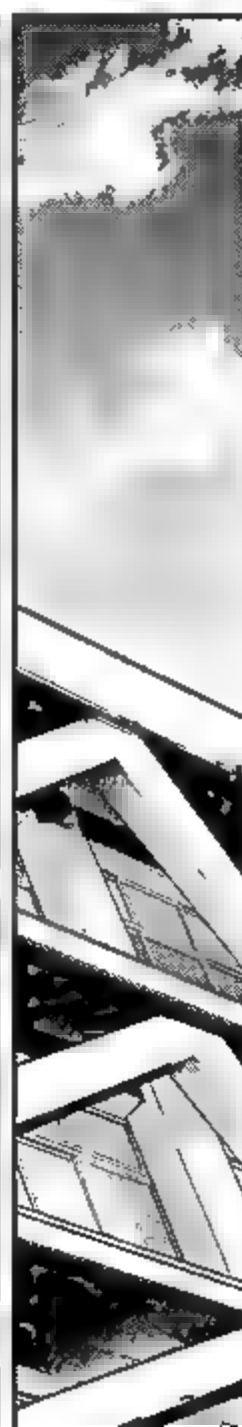
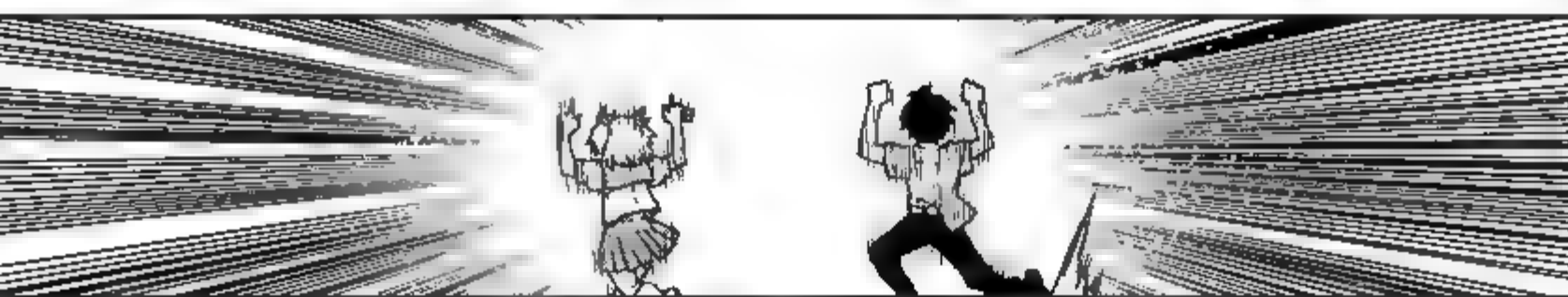
EHEHE!
HEHEHE!

YOU
BRAT!



YOU
CAN
CALL
ME
KU-
RURU!

NICE
TO
MEET
YOU,
SENPAI!





YOU'RE LIKE A DOG WHO'LL PICK UP AND EAT ANYTHING.

KAYTARO, YOU REALLY ARE INDISCRIMINATE WHEN IT COMES TO MAKING FRIENDS.

AND THERE'S ANOTHER GIRL I FIND REALLY INTERESTING...



...

MAKING MORE AND MORE FRIENDS IS REALLY SO MUCH FUN.

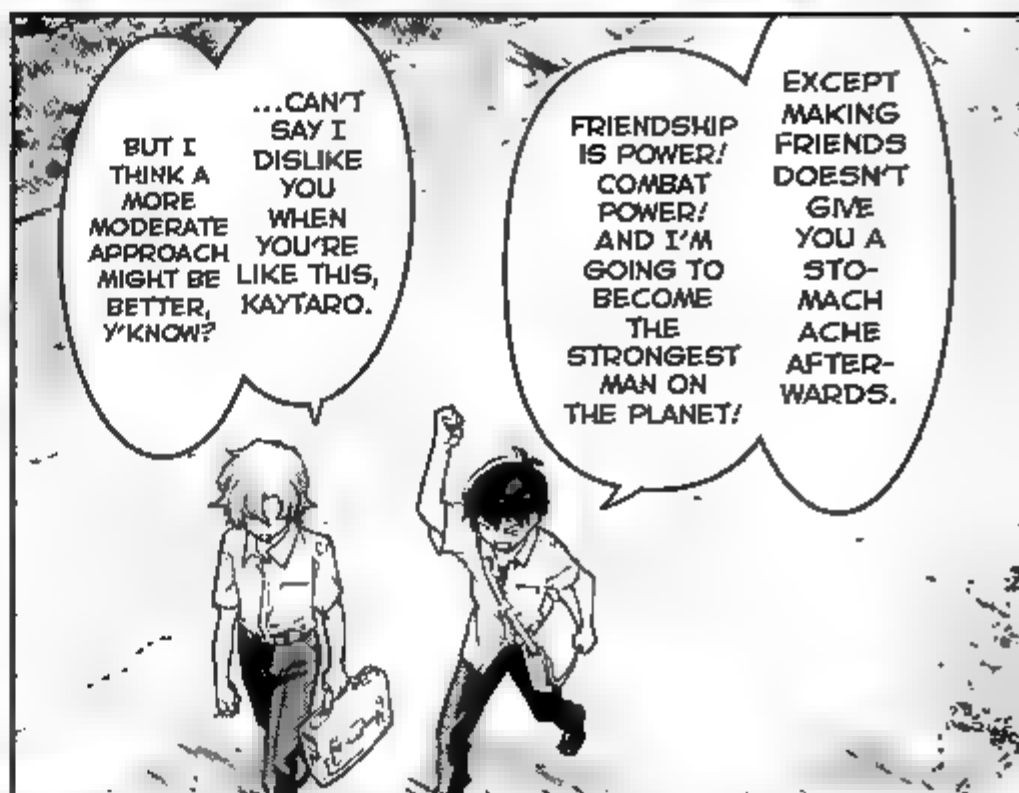
SO A GIRL LIKE HER LIVES IN HINA-MIZAWA TOO.



I'M NOT JEALOUS!

YOU AND I WILL NEVER STOP BEING BEST FRIENDS! DON'T BE JEALOUS!

NO MATTER HOW MANY FRIENDS I MAKE,



BUT I THINK A MORE MODERATE APPROACH MIGHT BE BETTER, Y'KNOW?

...CAN'T SAY I DISLIKE YOU WHEN YOU'RE LIKE THIS, KAYTARO.

FRIENDSHIP IS POWER! COMBAT POWER! AND I'M GOING TO BECOME THE STRONGEST MAN ON THE PLANET!

EXCEPT MAKING FRIENDS DOESN'T GIVE YOU A STOMACHACHE AFTERWARDS.



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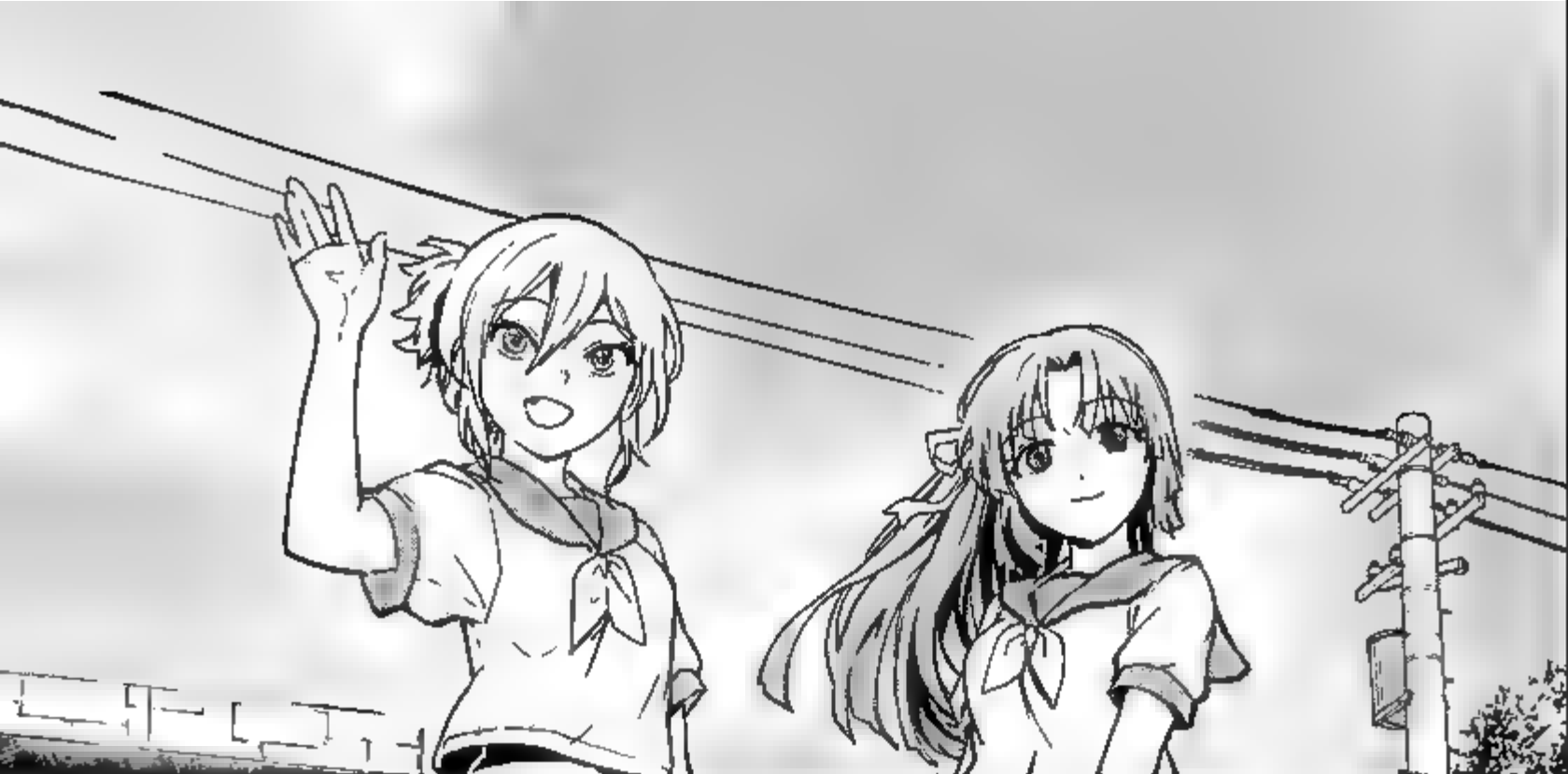
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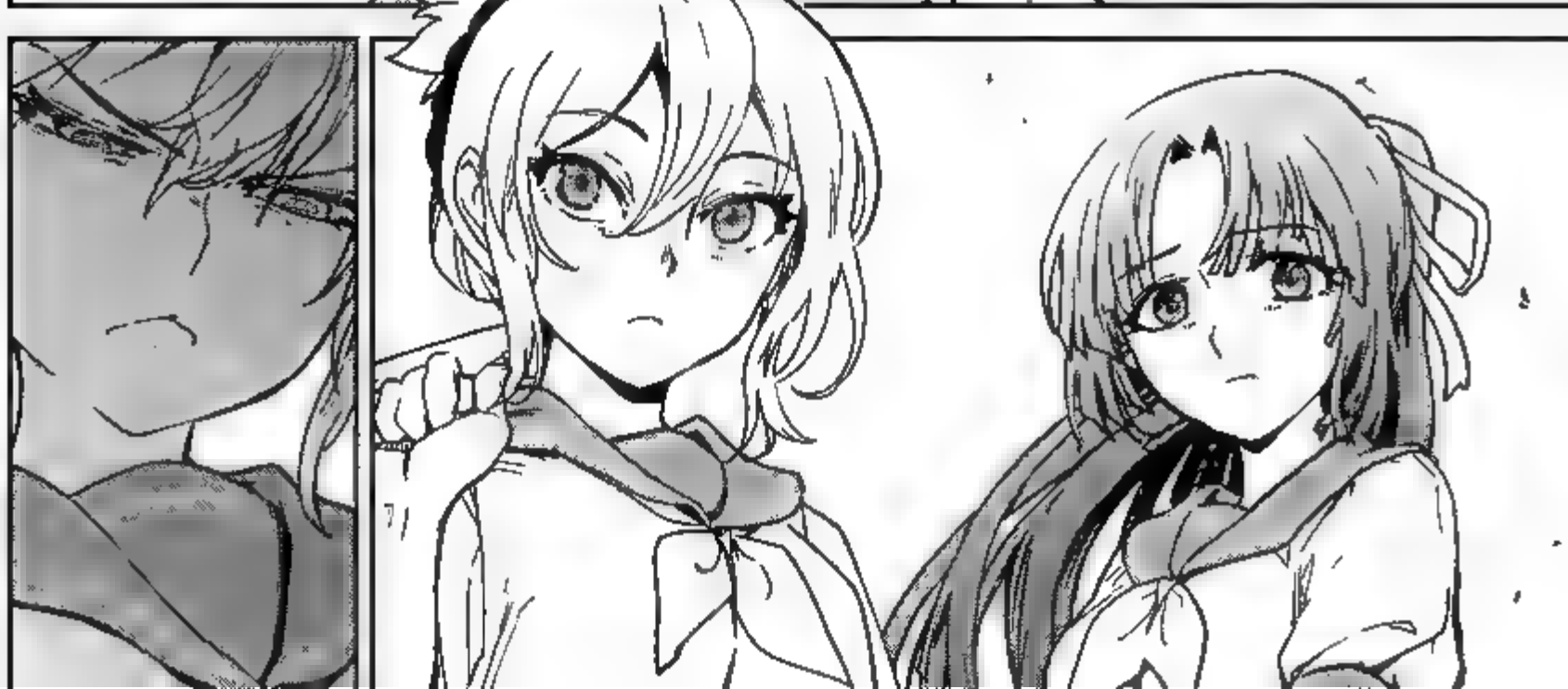
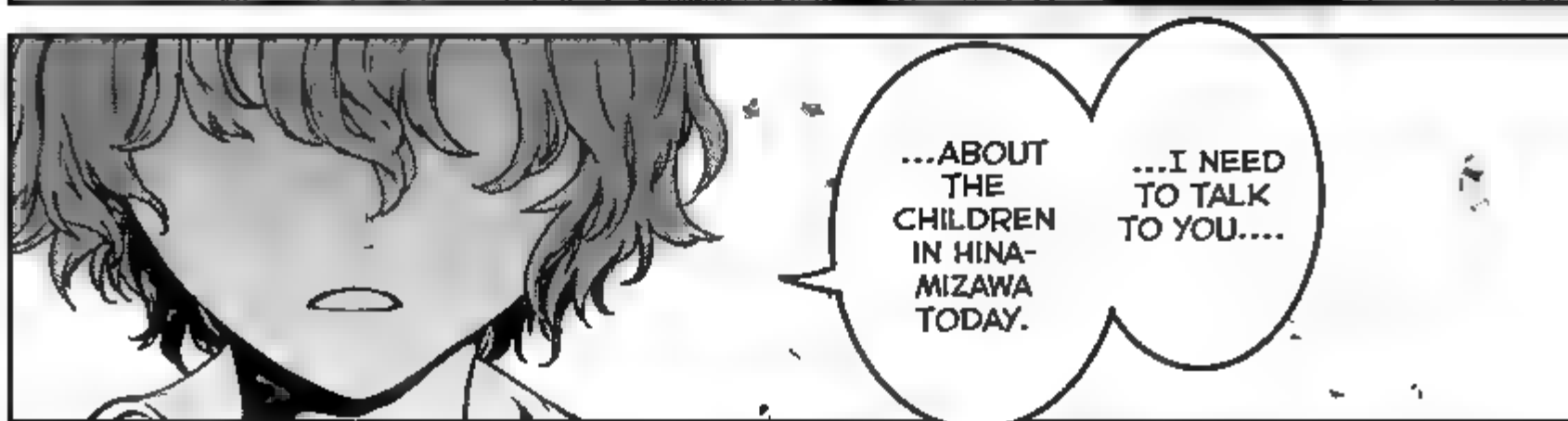
Wahaha




NO, NO, YOU TOTALLY ARE!

POKE POKE







...HINAMIZAWA
TODAY IS
NO LONGER
THE HINAMIZAWA
YOU KNOW,
KEITAROU.

SAKI-
KO
KIMI-
YOSHI.

AND
FROM
THE
KIMI-
YOSHIS,
ANOTHER
OF THE
THREE
FAM-
ILIES...

tap

...TA-
MAKI
SONO-
ZAKI.

FROM THE
SONO-
ZAKIS
OF THE
THREE
FAMILIES
OF HINA-
MIZAWA....

tap





IT'S
ALL
BE-
CAUSE...

...THEY
CAME
TO HINA-
MIZAWA...

What
problem
is Hina-
Mizawa
Facing
in the
Reiwa
era?!

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